



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re the application of:** Markus Pompejus, *et al.*

**Serial No.:** 10/721922

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**For:** "*Corynebacterium Glutamicum* Genes Encoding  
Proteins Involved In Homeostasis And Adaptation"

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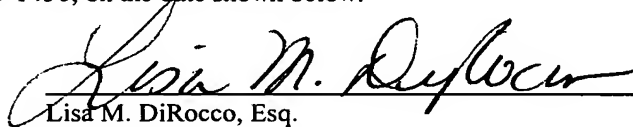
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application  
as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper**

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper**